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2. Citations and explanations:

The subject matter of the application is novel and inventive within the meaning of PCT Article 33(1)-(3).

The subject matter of the application is an aqueous polymer dispersion obtainable by free-radical polymerization of a mixture of the components a) to c) and a polymeric anionic dispersant.

The polymer dispersions described in the prior art, e.g. US 6 426 383, do not contain all the constituents defined in claim 1. The object of the application was to provide a composition for improving the hair-cosmetic properties.

This is achieved by means of an aqueous polymer dispersion which contains a particular compound a) containing amide groups (formula (I): $R^2 = CH_A = CR^4$), a crosslinker b) and a polymeric anionic dispersant. As can be seen from table 1 (page 44), the combing force is reduced as a result. Further uses of the polymer dispersion in cosmetic applications may be found in the examples. Such a combination of features and the effect produced thereby on, for example, the hair-cosmetic properties is not disclosed in the prior art.

Industrial applicability is present.